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In re application of : **Mail Stop: ISSUE FEE**
Yuji MIZUGUCHI et al. : **Confirmation No. 6779**
Serial No. 09/749,723 : [Group Art Unit 2663
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FOR DATA TRANSMISSION

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Sir:

A first Notice of Allowance dated December 28, 2004 was received in the above-identified application. The Issue and Publication fees for the application were then paid on March 25, 2005. However, the application was withdrawn from issue due to the submission of a Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 3, 2005. A Communication dated August 4, 2005 indicated that the Petition to withdraw the application from issue was granted.

A second Notice of Allowance dated August 30, 2005 was then received in the application. The second Notice of Allowance indicated that no fees were due because the Issue and Publication fees had been previously paid on March 25, 2005. Prior to the Applicants' submission of the Issue Fee Transmittal attached to the second Notice of Allowance, an Issue Notification was mailed on October 12, 2005 to indicate that the present application will issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,961,345 on November 1, 2005.

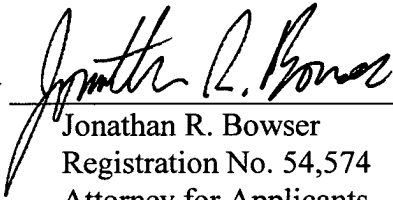
Since the present application will issue as U.S. Patent No. 6,961,345 on November 1, 2005, it appears that the Applicants are not required to submit the Issue Fee Transmittal attached to the second Notice of Allowance.

However, to prevent a claim that the application was abandoned for failure to submit the Issue Fee Transmittal before the non-extendable due date of November 30, 2005, the Applicants submit herewith the Issue Fee Transmittal attached to the second Notice of Allowance.

The information contained on the Issue Fee Transmittal submitted herewith is identical to the information contained on the Issue Fee Transmittal submitted on March 25, 2005. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that the present submission of the Issue Fee Transmittal should not delay issuance of U.S. Patent No. 6,961,345.

Respectfully submitted,

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